

IMPORTANT NOTICE - SECOND CHANCE ZYLON® BODY ARMOR VESTS

This notice applies only to those state and local law enforcement agencies and governmental entities that purchased Ultima®, Ultimax™, or Tri-Flex® Zylon®-based vests made by Second Chance Body Armor, Inc. (Second Chance).

In previous Attorney General notices to the law enforcement community, we advised that Zylon®-based body armor vests have raised officer safety concerns because some have been found to degrade more quickly than forecasted. That degradation reduces their anti-ballistic capabilities.

The New Jersey Attorney General's Office is seeking information from any law enforcement or other state or local governmental entities that have purchased Zylon®-based body armor under the trade name of ULTIMA®, ULTIMAX™ and TRI-FLEX® which were manufactured by Second Chance. In other states, Second Chance has acknowledged that there is a problem with ULTIMA® and ULTIMAX™ vests and has offered various replacement or upgrade options for these three models of vests.

In order to evaluate all remedial actions, the Division of Criminal Justice is seeking information on the purchase, use and replacement of these three (3) models of Second Chance body armor. More information is available on the web at http://www.njpdresources.org/barf_info.htm or you can contact the Body Armor Desk at (609) 292-1462.

This information is being sought only from the New Jersey law enforcement agencies and governmental entities that have purchased the three types of Zylon®-based body armor made by Second Chance: ULTIMA®, ULTIMAX™ and TRI-FLEX®. If your agency has not purchased any of these three types of vests, you need not be concerned with this survey.